CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: 3 Russ Girls.wmv

Other known title(s): Senza nome

OFLC ref: 1000164.000

Medium: Computer Moving Image File

Director: Not applicable

Producer: Not applicable

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Unidentified language

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 05 March 2010

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

	Components	Running time
Timed component(s):	3 Russ Girls.wmv	19:53
Total running time:		19:53

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer moving image file is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.

The file contains a 20-minute clip that shows three young girls engaging in sexual acts together. The girls appear to be older children. The purpose of the clip is to sexually titillate or arouse adults with a sexual interest in prepubescent girls. The availability of this material is likely to

encourage this sexual interest and strengthen the idea that children may be used for adult sexual gratification. The effect is to encourage the sexual exploitation of children.

The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.